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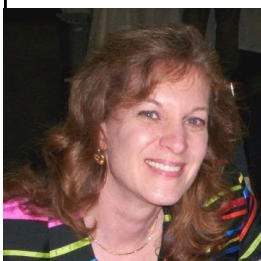
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Rabbi's Message

CBE AT 35 – YASHER KOACH!



Dear Friends,

We are so excited to be celebrating our 35th anniversary of serving the communities of Simi and Moorpark and beyond. CBE has grown through the years and acquired our own permanent home just five years ago. I am very proud of our synagogue family and all of the things that we do. We have a good attendance each week at Shabbat services, an active Sisterhood and Men's Club and programs for younger children and their families, for older people and everyone in between.

I am always excited when I come to the Temple on a week night and there are several activities going on, Adult Education, Choir, a meeting for a special project. We are truly fortunate to have people who are dedicated to living and sustaining Jewish life in our Community. CBE's presence and programs bring a great sense of pride to the Jewish people of our area. We look forward to continuing the things we do and to finding more ways to enjoy Jewish life and being involved in the Community and helping others.

By now we all know that this year Hanukkah starts the night before Thanksgiving!... talk about the holidays being either early or late... oy vey! However, Hanukkah will still be the same date it always is on the Hebrew/ Jewish calendar, the 25th of Kislev. But, YES, this is the earliest it has ever been, it has never happened before, and it will never happen again! So, let's enjoy "Thanksgivukkah" this one time! I hope you'll join us for the Thanksgiving Interfaith service on Tuesday Nov. 26th, and also Shabbat Hanukkah on Friday Nov. 29th.

As we enter this holiday season and approach 2014, may it be a happy and festive time for you, and also a time of renewed dedication to our traditions and values, a time to kindle the lights and increase the holiness in our daily lives. I invite you to join in the many programs, activities and services which CBE offers. Don't be a stranger, come by and be a part of the Temple family! Invite your friends to join us as well.

Here is a beautiful Hanukkah Prayer to share with your family and friends as you light the Menorah.

"Our God and God of our fathers and mothers before us. Thank you for this holiday of Hanukkah. Thank you for the miracles you did for our people in the time of the Maccabees. Thank you for the candles that remind us of that miracle and your light. Thank you for these presents that remind us of the joy we feel at giving to those we love.

Thank you for the winter that makes the warmth of spring feel even more sweet and welcome. Thank you for my family, the greatest gift I could ever receive. Thank you for the Jewish people, my people, who give me a place to come from and a place to strike roots. Thank you for you, O God of the universe, and for this holiday season.

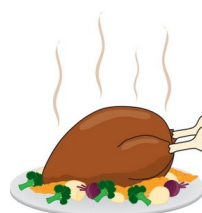
Thank you for our Christian friends who will be celebrating their own joyous winter holiday this month. Thank you God for the way we are given a holiday of lights in the middle of winter darkness. Thank you for latkes and dreidels. It is a good thing to have Jewish food and Jewish games. And please God, help me so that I don't get caught up in the buying and getting of this holiday and help me to be caught up in the giving and the loving that is the heart of this warm time in the days of cold. And God, in the year from this Hanukkah to the next, I promise to give more than I get."

Amen

Best wishes for a happy and joyous Hanukkah! See you in *shul*!

Shalom u'vrachah – Peace and Blessings,

Rabbi Michele Paskow



President's Message by Mitchell Salberg



Shalom!

Thanks to everyone who attended High Holiday services this year. We had a great turnout. In the next few months there are many exciting events planned. On November 1st and 2nd CBE will be hosting its 35th Anniversary Extravaganza. CBE will be honoring Rabbi Michele Paskow, Cantor Michael Russ and Meridith Patera for their over 20 years of support. In addition, on November 1st at the synagogue, we will be dedicating a memorial garden in honor of Earl Rosado. On November 26th we will be participating in the Interfaith Service. For those who have never attended, CBE and two or three churches in the community host this service. It is a very nice event! On December 8th CBE will have its Annual Hanukkah Party. This is an event that is fun for everyone. Please show your support and attend these great events. There are a lot other exciting events happening at CBE. Please check Meridith's weekly e-mail for everything that is going on.

It is hard to imagine that the calendar year is almost over. Hanukkah is very early this year. That really messes up my shopping. I do not think Black Friday will be pushed earlier just to accommodate Hanukkah. Oh well, I guess I will have to deal with it. Since this bulletin is for November and December, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Hanukkah and a very Happy New Year!

Thanks,
Mitchell Salberg
CBE President

SPECIAL UPCOMING SABBATH SERVICES:

Friday, Nov. 1 7:30 PM – 35TH Anniversary Shabbat
Friday, Nov. 8 8 PM – 75th commemoration of
Kristallnacht- Personal stories from CBE members
Friday, Nov. 29 7 PM - SHABBAT – HANUKKAH
K-4 Religious School students lead Hanukkah songs
Friday, Dec. 6 7 PM – Family Shabbat and
Welcome new members
Friday, Dec. 27 7 pm – Shabbat Tisch –
Dinner— Daven—Schmooze
Last Shabbat of 2013..... Incredible!

The minutes of CBE Board meetings are available to all members in the Temple office. Black and white hard copies of the newsletter are also available in the Temple office

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TODAH RABAH FROM CANTOR RUSS

I am compelled to take this opportunity to thank the people of Congregation B'nai Emet for their expressions of concern and good will in regards to my illness during Yom Kippur. Your words of caring warmed my heart and filled my soul. As of the time I am writing this, October 3, I am improving but still suffering a bit from the effects of Vertigo; however, I am pushing on. My doctor says I should be normal in a few weeks; certainly by the time you read this bulletin. (I know, many will be surprised since they think I never was normal to begin with).



Also, a “Todah Rabah” to my talented and wonderful daughter, Adina, who filled in for me so well for the Kol Nidre Service. Although I was unable to hear her voice directly, I heard it through the voices and words of those who told me how they appreciated her ability to help make the service so inspiring.

Of course, once again I express my appreciation and admiration to our wonderful volunteer choir. Their voices, under the direction of our talented director Irwin Cohen help to create a soulful atmosphere, which inspires us for prayer. Thank you also to Barbara and Bob Pohls for their soothing and moving music.

Another Todah Rabah to Rabbi Michele Paskow. She has always been a pleasure to work with and these circumstances were no different. However, I must add that her courage and insight to introduce us to the new “Pilot Machzor for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur” is an example of her ability to innovate and teach us anew. My only regret was the time restraints, which made it very difficult (if not impossible) to read all the commentary and meditations that are written in this new Machzor. Since Yom Kippur my wife, Merle, and I have continued studying and discussing many of the ideas and perspectives presented in these prayer books. Although these books are still in the developmental stage I must commend the CCAR (Central Conference of American Rabbis) for the development of these new books. The readings are insightful, inspiring and educational.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank so many of you for your participation in the celebration of the 35th anniversary of our congregation and the years of working together with Rabbi Michele Paskow and Meridith Petera. It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your Cantor.

Once again I have experienced the feeling of support and caring from our congregational community. One of the many lessons we can learn from Judaism is that we need not feel alone. A major purpose of a congregation, holidays and community rituals is that there are people who care about us. We help each other. I have always been involved in Jewish religion and Jewish culture. As clergy I have often been in the position of celebrating happy events and consoling at difficult times. This time I appreciate receiving your caring and support. If you receive this message and are not already a member of Congregation B'nai Emet, I want to encourage you to join us and participate with our celebrations. When you need religious and emotional support during a difficult time in your life we are also here for you.

May we all enjoy a healthy, happy and good New Year.

Men's Club

The Men's Club is growing. Come be a part of it! We are always looking to add new members to our ranks. Why aren't you with us yet? Our primary purpose of aiding the Temple in any way that we can doesn't preclude having fun while we help. Social activities bring camaraderie to our group. We recently had our second BBQ/cigar/poker night. Due to the weather we didn't have the BBQ or cigar portion, everybody brought their own food, and we had a great time! Other fun events are being planned, too. Join the Men's Club.

The Men's Club holds a meeting on the first Sunday of the month at 9:15 am at the Religious School. This gives us a chance for some quality alone time with our kids while we take them to school, and we earn “brownie points” with the women in our lives by giving them a chance to sleep in for once on a weekend day!

The CBE Men's Club meets for breakfast at 9 AM, on the 2nd Sunday of the month, at The Firehouse Café, 1244 Sycamore Dr., Simi Valley (near Sycamore & Royal). Call Alan Mann, (805) 341-3836 or write to alanmann60@att.net so that he can let the restaurant know how many to expect.

I'd like to thank all the Men's Club members who assisted with the Hanukkah Boutique BBQ. Too many to individually name here but you know who you are; thank you very much.

Contact Men's Club President Michael Enright for more info at lamigra223@yahoo.com

Michael Enright
Men's Club President

Women of CBE



Wow! November already? Or should I say...Hanukkah already?

Yes, as we all know, Hanukkah is shortly approaching but before that, Sisterhood has our Annual Donor Luncheon. This is a wonderful event which is highly attended each and every year. It's a great way to thank our wonderful members who donate their time and resources to make Sisterhood what it is and, in turn, support our Congregation. This year we are having our luncheon at The Posada Royale on Sunday, November 10th. It's certain to be a lovely afternoon with friendship, fun and good food. If you have any questions about achieving Donor, please contact Meridith Patera, Sisterhood VP, and we can make sure you have the information you need in order to join us.

Since November is Jewish Book Month, Sisterhood will be hosting a guest speaker, Diana Keeler, on November 12th to discuss the book, *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew - Three Women Search for Understanding*, by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver and Priscilla Warner.

We are having our Annual Hanukkah Party & Gift Exchange on December 10th this year. This is so much fun! We play a gift exchange game that is so entertaining and everyone leaves with a Hanukkah gift. The food is delicious and there's so much laughter. I hope you can join us!

This bears repeating, but if you are not yet a Sisterhood member, please consider joining us and supporting CBE with your membership. It is a relatively small amount to join and is sure to make a big difference in enriching your life and the lives of our Congregants and the community at large. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Carole Picker, Sisterhood VP of Membership.

Thank you and I hope to see you soon!

Shalom,

Janine Enright

President of the Women of CBE

THE WOMEN OF CBE

Women of Reform Judaism
stronger together

invite you to our next general meeting in honor of Jewish Book Month:

Guest Speaker Diana Kealer

Tuesday, November 12
7 PM at the temple

THE FAITH CLUB
A MUSLIM, A CHRISTIAN, A JEW—
THREE WOMEN SEARCH FOR UNDERSTANDING

Guest Speaker Diana Kealer will discuss
**THE FAITH CLUB, BY RANYA IDLIBY,
SUZANNE OLIVER AND PRISCILLA
WARNER: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew -
Three Women Search for Understanding.**

Also:

- Share your favorite Jewish authors and books. Bring any books you'd like to exchange.
- Examine and check out new books from the temple library.

WOMEN OF CBE

WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM
STRONGER TOGETHER

HANUKKAH PARTY

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 10
6:30 PM
AT THE HOME OF
JILL KATELL IN SIMI VALLEY

\$15 for dinner
Please bring a wrapped \$10 gift
for gift exchange

RSVP (so that we can save you seats) to: Sylvia LeVine, [805.582.0147](tel:805.582.0147) or boliviansylvia@roadrunner.com
or Ronnye Sacks, rehsacks@att.net or [805.527.2036](tel:805.527.2036)
or Cathy Holst, catherine3484@yahoo.com

Please join us for our
***CBE**Extravaganza*

Friday November 1, 2013 at 7:30 pm
9 West Bonita Drive
Simi Valley, CA

For a Special Shabbat Service
Honoring

CBE's 35th Anniversary

Rabbi Michele Paskow ~ 21 years
Cantor Michael Russ ~ 26 years
Meridith Patera ~ 25 years
And the Dedication of
The Earl Rosado Memorial Garden

Our Celebration Continues
Saturday November 2, 2013 at 7:00 pm
Lost Canyons Golf Club
3301 Lost Canyons Drive
Simi Valley, CA

Enjoy Hors d'oeuvres, Dessert, Casino Tables, DJ,
Dancing, Silent Auction and Raffle
Babysitting available offsite

**Tickets for Saturday night must be
Purchased in advance**

Ticket info: <http://congregationbnaiemet.org/GALA.html>

Fundraising

The Fundraising Committee is actively working on three upcoming events. The first event is a Comedy Night to be held on January 25, 2014, at the temple. Please mark your calendar to save the date. There will be special pricing for CBE members for that event.

The second event will be a golf tournament in late March. Watch for more information about this.

Third, we will be selling pizza at the Cajun/Blues Festival during the Memorial Day weekend.

If you would like to help or join our committee, please contact either either:

Michael Mutal mmmutal@gmail.com or
Shelly Botan (sfbotan@sbcglobal.net) .

A special Thank You – todah rabbah to:

Steve and RuthAnn Rossman for hours of work preparing the new CBE garden.

Carol Tolchin for getting the Gift Shop carpet cleaned for the Nov. 1st 35th Anniversary Shabbat.

The Gala Planning Committee

From,
Rabbi Michele

A small note from Membership

Someone asks and I say yes. That is how I got the job of VP of Membership.

Having no previous experience on our board, I wasn't sure what the job would entail or how I would get it done. I got the title. Similar to leaving the hospital with your first child. They say you will figure it out.

They were right, but I could not have made it through the Meet and Mingle BBQ, early registration and High Holidays without all the help I was fortunate enough to have. Thank you Nirit for joining me as Co-Chair, Marilyn for your expertise, Rabbi Michele for great ideas and inspiration, all the board and most of all thank you to all the members!

With the holidays on the way there is no better time than now to bring someone new to our temple and introduce them to our family. We are planning a special Shabbat to introduce our new members, welcome families that have rejoined after a few years and honor our longest members on December 6th. We hope you can come and join us.

If I have not met you please introduce yourself! I would love to say hello!

Bridget Baskin
VP of Membership

WELCOME!

New CBE Members

David and Mahsa Chadorch
Howard and Gayle Evans
Ryan and Sandy Goldstein
Loren and Tina Hilburn
Kevin and Courtney Mayo
Lynne and Barry Selbst

Returning Members

Lesli Friedman
Miriam and Tom Hintz
Harry and Patty Schned

Oct. 13—The Autry visit



CBE members of all ages enjoyed the exhibit of "Jews in the Los Angeles Mosaic" and a program of Klezmer Music

Oneg Sponsors

August 30, 2013

The Bergmann, Enright, Holst & Weiner Families in honor of Melissa, Janine, Mike, Brandon, Cathy & Erica's B'nai Mitzvah

Meridith Patera in honor of Bennett's birthday & the Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Laura Tepfer in honor of the Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Ronnye Sacks in honor of the Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Ron & Sylvia Levine in honor of the Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Mark & Bridget Baskin in honor of Back to Shul Night

Michele Stevens in memory of Iris Tuber

Shelly Botan in honor of the Adult B'nai Mitzvah

September 6, 2013

Fredyce Holland in honor of Cathy Holst's Bat Mitzvah

The Selbst Family in memory of Barry's Mother, Sylvia Selbst

The Selbst Family in memory of Lynne's Mother, Ann Schneider

The Poehls Family in honor of All the Adult B'nai Mitzvah

September 20, 2013

The Katell Family in honor of Gabe's birthday

Penny Neugroschl in memory of JG Neugroschl

Valerie Singh in memory of Ann Schwartz

Steve & Ruth Ann Rossman in honor of their 42nd Anniversary

September 27, 2013

The Elhai Family in honor of Michelle's Consecration

The Doepping Family in honor of Maylee's Consecration

October 4, 2013

Eric & Michelle Levine in honor of their 12th Anniversary

The Mann Family in memory of Alan's mother, Regina Rachel Mann

October 11, 2013

Shari Hollander Faerman in memory of Jodi Gayle Hollander Jawitz

Ronnye Sacks in memory of Lewis Howard

Julia Farago in memory of Thomas Farago

Carol Rosado in honor of Leah's 27th birthday

October 18, 2013

The Melnick Family in honor of Sandy's birthday

Ron & Sylvia Levine in honor of the birthdays of their niece Jennifer & nephew Jason

The Poehls Family in honor of Bethany's 25th birthday

Lesli Friedman in honor of Sami's 21st birthday & in memory of Carl Norman Kitt, Sr.

October 25, 2013

Sharlene Pass in memory of Ann Miller

Sy & Shelly Botan in honor of their 38th anniversary

High Holiday Sponsors

The Auerbach Family

The Botan Family

The Brandler Family

Laurie Rifkin Crites & Family

The Enright Family

Eliot & Judy Epstein & family

Suzanne & Ken Epstein

Alice Fiducia

Craig & Michelle Foster & Family

Fredyce Holland

The Hollander Family

Cathy Holst

The Katell Family

The Kelly Family

Ron & Sylvia LeVine

Alan & Linda Mann

Penny Neugroschl

Rabbi Michele Paskow & Family

Rabbi Shimon & Carol Paskow

The Patera Family

Lloyd & Carol Picker

The Poehls Family

The Ribstein family Carol Rosado

The Rossman Family Cantor Michael & Merle Russ

Ronnye Sacks Mitchell and Lynn Salberg & family

Wayne & Shari Schultz

The Sherden Family

Valerie Singh

The Sion Family

The Tepfer Family

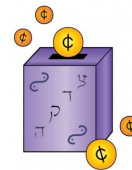
The Weiner Family

The York Family

The Women of CBE

The bima flowers were generously donated by Michael & Julie Mutal of Michael's Flowers

As we draw to the close of 2013, please remember CBE in your charitable giving. You may consider contributing to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, as the Rabbi has paid for many of the extra programs we've enjoyed this year, from Israeli dancing, guest speaker's honoraria and other activities, or make your donation to the CBE general fund to help support all of our Temple programs. Your donations are tax-deductible and deeply appreciated. **Todah Rabbah.**



Are you curious about **Havurah**? New and renewing members who would like more information about joining a friendly group of like-minded CBE members, call or email Penny Neugroschl at 805-526-1570 or PennyNeugroschl@yahoo.com



Religious School News

Our Honey Fundraiser made \$250.00 for the school! Thank you to everyone who participated.

As we head into November, the students will be getting ready for their annual performance at the Temple Hanukkah Party.

Jen Rosenstein
VP Religious School

2013 -2014 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

3 - SUNDAY SCHOOL – SESSION #9
4 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #9
10 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #10
11 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #10
17 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #11
18 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #11
24 – SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #12

DECEMBER

2 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #12
8 - SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #13
9 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #13
15- SUNDAY SCHOOL-SESSION #14
16 - JUDAICA HIGH SCHOOL-SESSION #14

CBE HANUKKAH PARTY



Once upon a Hanukkah STAR OF DAVID WARS

With the CBE Adult Players
Written & directed by
Meridith Patera & Irwin Cohen
musical accompaniment by
the CBE Orchestra

Performed by
the CBE
Religious
School Classes

Sunday - December 8 - 6:00 PM
Congregation B'nai Emet

Featuring a magnificent latke, dessert & beverage buffet, kids' crafts, raffles, & more!

\$10 per adult
\$5 per child aged 5 - 13
Children 4 & under free!
Maximum \$36/immediate family
At CBE, 9 West Bonita,
Simi Valley 93065
(805) 581-3723

To pay on line, download the order form or purchase an ad, go to:
<http://congregationbnaimet.org/events.php>

Social Action

We look forward to seeing everyone at this year's Hanukkah Party and Program on December 8th at the Temple. As it is the season for giving and sharing we will have several ways for people to contribute to our community. We will have collection bins for the following causes:

Jewish Federation Toy Drive - unwrapped toys and books

SOVA - canned goods, especially canned meat, tuna and peanut butter

For The Troops - Baby Wipes, Hand Sanitizers, Lip balm, Toothpaste, Cotton Swabs, Pipe Cleaners
Granola, Power Bars, Oatmeal, Dried Fruit, Raisins, Nuts, Small Canned Tuna, Chicken, Fruit, Gum, Candy, Hard Candy, Presweetened Powdered Water Enhancers, individual size Coffee or Tea, Beef Jerky (no pork), individual snack size Trail Mix, Pop Tarts, other individual snack items, small jars of Peanut Butter and Jelly, Dried Asian Noodles, Soup, Beef Stew, etc.
Athletic Socks (black, brown or white),
Crossword, Word Search, Sudoku, Puzzlebooks, Small Handheld or Travel Size Games, AA and AAA Batteries, DVDs, CDs, Magazines, Newspaper, Comics, Stationery Items, Pens, Greeting Cards

Carla Shaw
VP Social Action

CBE's 35th Anniversary



Rabbi Michele, Cantor Michael and Meridith will each be honored for their years of leadership and service on the weekend of Nov. 1-2. Please join us for the special service and Gala party at the Lost Canyons Golf Club.

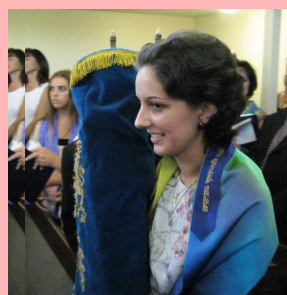
Planting the CBE Earl Rosado Memorial Garden



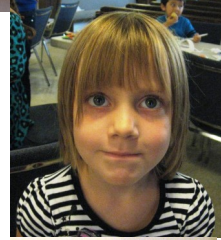
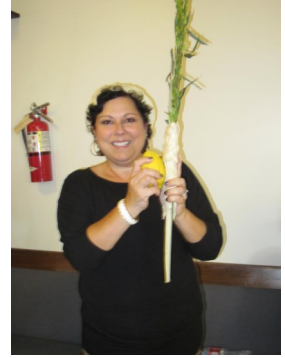
Cantor Michael Russ Blowing the Shofar on Rosh Hashanah



Adult B'nai Mitzvah



Celebrating Sukkot



Hanukkah Boutique - Something for Everyone



Holiday shopping, of course

Fun Raffle Prizes



Crafts and a Magic Show for the Children



And the CBE Men's Club grilling on the patio. Yum!

Recent Donations

Building Fund Donations

Michael and Susan Brooks – in memory of Earl Rosado
 Brett and Michael Moss – in memory of Earl Rosado
 Ryan and Natalie Richmond – in memory of Earl Rosado
 Marion Leon-Doten – in memory of Earl Rosado
 Steve and Ruth Ann Rossman – in memory of Earl Rosado
 Jeff and Arlene Nolke – in memory of Earl Rosado
 Jacqlyn Teichner Abramson – in memory of Earl Rosado

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Glen and Debbie Knecht – in memory of Judith Gail and
 Louis Karoff

Memorial Donations

Marvin and Sandra Sussman – in memory of Solomon and
 Ann Sussman
 Anthony and Laura Luskin – in memory of Issak Pichkhadze
 and Faina Vineberg
 Valerie Singh – in memory of Ann Schwartz
 Sheldon and Joan Liebmann – in memory of Philip Landau
 Michelle Scharf – in memory of Sanford Scharf, Harold
 Ducker and Audrey Gramowitz
 Glen and Debbie Knecht – in memory of Marion Karoff
 Ronnye Sacks – in memory of Jack Volkerts (Earl's Garden)

Tribute Donations

Michael Mutal and Julie Bienenfeld – in honor of Enright
 B'nai Mitzvah (Earl's Garden)
 Fred and Gwendolyn Nitowski – in honor of Erica Weiner's
 Bat Mitzvah

Religious School Donations

Julie and Scott Ranelletti – in honor of Justin's Birthday
 Valerie Singh – in memory of Ann Schwartz
 Sheldon and Joan Liebmann – in memory of Miriam Landau
 Ken and Suzanne Epstein – in memory of Benno Epstein

Preschool/Education Building Fund

Jerry and Sue Coffey – in memory of Daniel C. Gilson
 Bella Hananel – in memory of Shoshanah Copelof

Tree of Life Leaf Donations

Marion Leon-Doten – in memory of Dorothy Leon's 100th
 Birthday
 Wolf and Nubia Ascher – in memory of Walter and Erna Ascher

General Donations

\Elaine Bienenfeld
 Michael Mutal and Julie Bienenfeld
 Harry and Patricia Schned
 Women of CBE

High Holiday Donations

Herschel and Laura Berger – in memory Belle Rubel and
 Shirley Jen Kin
 Jerry and Marla Bergman (Preschool) - in memory Beverly
 Pedowitz and Bert and Shirley Bergmann
 Tracie and Erik Breiter
 Irwin Cohen – in memory of Vicki Cohen
 Louise and Mel Edelson – (Preschool and Education Center and
 Choir Fund)
 Diane and Mark Evans – in honor of Rabbi Michele
 Barbara Finsten – in memory of Susana Sack
 Michael L. Fishman – in memory Rose Fishman, Ruth Benjamin,
 Norman, Anna and Harry Novick
 The Foster Family (Preschool) – in memory of Earl Rosado
 David Glazer – in memory of Michael, Vera and Dorothy Glazer
 Carl and Bernice Greenstein
 Sheryl Hammer
 Michael and Marilyn Hollander – in honor of Danny, Andrew
 and Erin
 Cathy Holst (Earl's Garden)
 Pam Hunau – in memory of Arthur Hunau and Sid and Reeva
 Marcus
 Arnold Kaufman – in memory of Philip and Gloria Goodman,
 Gladys Rosenberg, Joseph and Sarah Kaufman,
 Tim Wolff, Saul Kaufman and Al Chudler
 Renee Kieselbach – in memory of Dr. Harry and Mrs. Mildred
 Ertel
 Sheila Kubik and Dave Finchler - in memory of Stanley Kubik
 and Shirley Finchler
 Delilah Lauber (Preschool) - in memory of Fritz Lauber; in
 honor of Michele Scharning
 Gary Lauber – in memory of Fritz Lauber

Michael Lauber – in memory of Fritz Lauber
 Alan and Sandra Leon – in memory of Earl Rosado
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 Meyer Siegel, in honor of Earl Rosado
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 Stanford Weinstein
 Steven and Holly York – in memory of Alexa Wiener



Birthdays

Nov 01	Samuel Forster	Dec 03	Sylvia LeVine
Nov 02	Eric Levine	Dec 06	Sharlene Pass
Nov 02	Nancy Thomas	Dec 07	David Gering
Nov 03	Ryan Fromer	Dec 07	Shawna Katell
Nov 05	Tamara Plotkin	Dec 08	Alec Bennett
Nov 05	Natalie Richmond	Dec 08	Jake Storry
Nov 12	Ryan Rosenstein	Dec 09	Kaitlyn Richmond
Nov 14	Julia Elhai	Dec 10	Cantor Michael Russ
Nov 16	Eric Bordo	Dec 11	Stuart Selbst
Nov 16	Loren Hilburn	Dec 13	Mitchell Resnick
Nov 19	Lesli Friedman	Dec 18	Andrew Nadler
Nov 23	Kevin Mayo	Dec 19	Erin Hollander
Nov 25	Miko Sion	Dec 25	Mark Roberts
Nov 30	Jerry Auerbach	Dec 29	Sharon Epstein
Nov 30	Rhonda Nadler	Dec 30	Matthew Nusbaum
Dec 01	Ryan Ribstein	Dec 30	Gail Weinstein
Dec 02	Julie Bienenfeld		

Anniversaries

Nov 03	Craig and Michelle Foster
Nov 06	Alan and Sandra Leon
Nov 20	Gabe and Jill Katell
Dec 06	Howard and Gayle Evans
Dec 09	Valerie Singh
Dec 18	Miko and Bobbie Sion
Dec 24	Arnold and Marilyn Kaufman

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Yahrzeits

Nov 01	Norman Rifkin	Heshvan 28	Dec 04	Vicki Cohen	Tevet 1
Nov 02	Esther Frankel	Heshvan 29	Dec 04	Mitzie Friedman	Tevet 1
Nov 02	Rebecca K. Schwartz	Heshvan 29	Dec 05	Lois Wellen	Tevet 2
Nov 04	Ber Goldenberg	Kislev 1	Dec 06	Abraham Katell	Tevet 3
Nov 04	Rose Warren	Kislev 1	Dec 06	Barbara Claire Sweet	Tevet 3
Nov 06	Merril Friend	Kislev 3	Dec 08	Bertram Bergmann	Tevet 5
Nov 08	Nissim Eskenazi	Kislev 5	Dec 08	David Ehrlich	Tevet 5
Nov 08	Isaac Hart	Kislev 5	Dec 08	Erna Handler	
Nov 08	Harry Hirschorn	Kislev 5	Dec 09	Libbie Chait	Tevet 6
Nov 08	Helen Rosner	Kislev 5	Dec 09	Louis Cohen	Tevet 6
Nov 09	Theo Frankel	Kislev 6	Dec 09	James Silver	Tevet 6
Nov 09	Isaak Koenka	Kislev 6	Dec 10	Earl Ely Friedman	Tevet 7
Nov 10	Milton "Babe" Goldbloom	Kislev 7	Dec 10	Faye Isbey	Tevet 7
Nov 11	Gerald York	Kislev 8	Dec 12	David Brookner	Tevet 9
Nov 12	Aaron Saul Chusid		Dec 12	Bryan Sandoval	Tevet 9
Nov 13	Leona Edelstein		Dec 13	Stuart Keimon	Tevet 10
Nov 13	Nora Judge	Kislev 10	Dec 14	Marvin Ackerman	Tevet 11
Nov 14	Sylvia Schneider	Kislev 11	Dec 15	Max Epstein	Tevet 12
Nov 17	Regina Greenstein	Kislev 14	Dec 15	Salomon Goldstein	Tevet 12
Nov 17	Benish Landau	Kislev 14	Dec 15	Irvin "Bud" Greenberg	Tevet 12
Nov 19	Anne Kaminsky	Kislev 16	Dec 16	Florence Howard	Tevet 13
Nov 19	Robert Mutal	Kislev 16	Dec 16	Steven Sacks	Tevet 13
Nov 21	Sandi Brown	Kislev 18	Dec 17	Leon Luger	Tevet 14
Nov 21	Louis Weiss	Kislev 18	Dec 17	Rhoda Russ	Tevet 14
Nov 22	Frida Pichkhadze	Kislev 19	Dec 18	Barbara Schwartz	Tevet 15
Nov 23	Marshall Pollack	Kislev 20	Dec 19	Minerva Lefton	Tevet 16
Nov 24	Jean Forman	Kislev 21	Dec 20	Clara Gordon	Tevet 17
Nov 24	Seymour Hoffberg	Kislev 21	Dec 21	Anna Leader	Tevet 18
Nov 25	Jack Lefton	Kislev 22	Dec 23	Gertrude Miller	Tevet 20
Nov 25	Beatrice Marx	Kislev 22	Dec 24	Leonard Schwartz	Tevet 21
Nov 26	Ben Herskowitz		Dec 24	Israel Tepper	Tevet 21
Nov 27	Rose Schwartz	Kislev 24	Dec 27	Harry Luger	Tevet 24
Nov 27	Samuel Selbst	Kislev 24	Dec 27	Fannie Woodrow	Tevet 24
Nov 29	Michael Glazer	Kislev 26	Dec 28	Max Rabin	Tevet 25
Nov 29	Martin Klein	Kislev 26	Dec 28	Paul Sytten	Tevet 25
Dec 01	Sanford Shilkoff	Kislev 28	Dec 30	Patricia Geiger	Tevet 27
Dec 03	Morris Orloff	Kislev 30	Dec 30	Rodman Turner	
			Dec 31	Richard Levy	Tevet 28



Please check the current Yahrzeit information on the data sheet you received in your membership packet. Verify its accuracy and call the office with any changes or new Yahrzeit information.

During the year, you will receive reminders for upcoming Yahrzeit dates. We want to have complete and accurate information.

Call Michael Hollander with any questions regarding Yahrzeit data.

Thank you.

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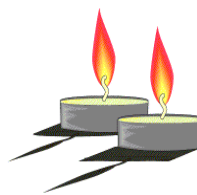
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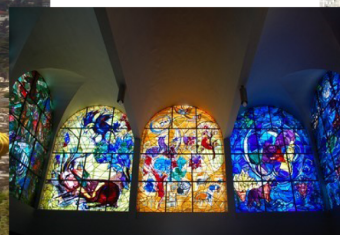
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Candle lighting</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Torah Portion</u>
Nov. 1/ 29 Cheshvan	5:44 PM	Anniversary Service 7:30 PM	Toldot—Genesis 25:19 - 28:9
Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday Morning			
Nov. 8/ 6 Kislev	4:38 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vayetzei—Genesis 28:10 - 32:3
Nov. 15/ 13 Kislev	4:33 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vayishlach—Genesis 32:4 - 36:43
Nov. 22/ 20 Kislev	4:30 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vayeshev—Genesis 37:1 - 40:23
Nov. 26		Interfaith Service 7 PM (See page 11)	
Nov. 27		First Hanukkah Candle	
Nov. 28		Thanksgiving	
Nov. 29/ 27 Kislev	4:28 PM	Shabbat Service 7 PM K-4 Students Singing	Miketz—Genesis 41:1 - 44:17
Dec. 6/ 4 Tevet	4:28 PM	Family Service 7 PM New Member Shabbat	Vayigash—Genesis 44:18 - 47:27
Dec. 13/ 11 Tevet	4:29 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vayechi—Genesis 47:28 - 50:26
Dec. 20/ 18 Tevet	4:32 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Shemot—Exodus 1:1 - 6:1
Dec. 27/ 25 Tevet	4:36 PM	Shabbat Service 8 PM	Vaeira—Exodus 6:2 - 9:35

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